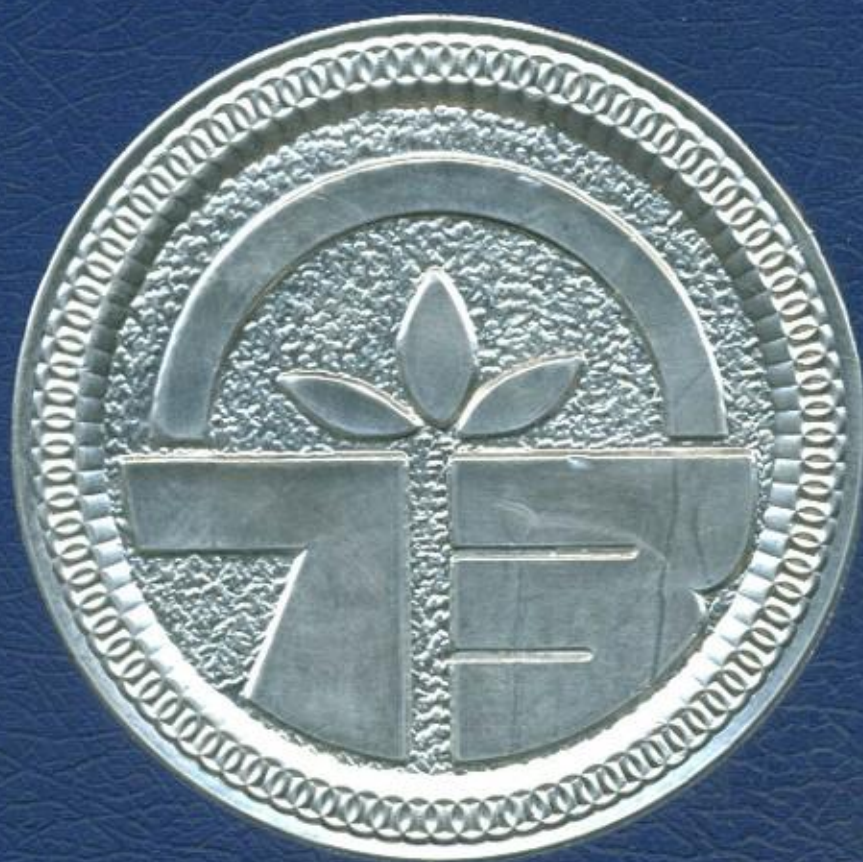


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L. R. Oakley
August 28, 1973

**The Senior Class
of
Clay Center, Nebraska
Proudly Presents
THE
1973 WILDCAT**



ADMINISTRATION

Tenderly now
let all men
turn to the earth

Nancy Newhall





Mr. SAM TOWNSEND, Superintendent

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Delvin Dane, Vayle Hayes, Kenneth Frank,
Harlan Mack, Ray Sampson, Bert Von Spreck-
elsen.



Mr. RICHARD CHOCHON, Principal



Mrs. REBECCA HAJNY,
Elementary Principal

FACULTY

. . . that gray color . . . which nature loves; color of unpainted wood, weather-stain; time-stain; not glaring nor gaudy; the color of all roofs, the color of all things that endure . . .

David Thoreau





Mrs. MARY CHOCHON
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Mr. RICHARD BREHM
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Mrs. BEULAH DEINES



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Librarian and P.E.



Mr. LAMONT LARSON
English and Dramatics



Mr. LARRY EDEAL
Art and Annual Sponsor



Miss BARBARA FOLSOM
Music



Mr. GARY JUNKER
Science, Coach and Math

*L. Deines Teacher
6th & 7th grade*

Bus Drivers

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DALE PORTER



Mrs. ELEANOR MOORE, Secretary



Mrs. SHIRLEY PETERS, Secretary



Mr. and Mrs. GARTNER, Mr. DEDRICKSON, Janitors



Mrs. FATE, Mrs. IVERSON, Mrs. COOK, Cooks

Jack DEDRICKSON



SENIORS

Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in. I drink at it; but while I drink I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is. Its thin current slides away, but eternity remains.

David Thoreau



DAVID L. ANDERSON

C-Club 2, 3, 4; Band 2; Football 3, 4; Wrestling 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Newspaper Staff 2, 4; National Honor Society 4.



WILLIAM K. BOEKA

C-Club 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; Class Vice President 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Newspaper Staff 4.



THOMAS ARLEN BREWSTER

C-Club 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 4; Class Play 3, 4.

*Passed away
1975*



KATHRYN SUE DEJUNG

Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1; Volleyball 3; Librarian 3.



KAREN LEA EAST

Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; Cheerleader 1, 2; Alternate 3; Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Harvest of Harmony Queen Candidate 4; Pom-Pom Girl 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Class Play 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Newspaper Staff 4.



JANET L. EASTIN

Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; Class Treasurer 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Pom-Pom Alternate 4; Track 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Class Play 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Librarian 4; Girls' State Representative 3; Betty Crocker Award 4.



JEAN MARIE EVERSON

Pep Club 1,2,3,4;
Y-Teens 1,2,3,4;
Pom-Pom Girl 4;
Track 1; Volleyball
3; Class Play 4; Lib-
rarian 3.



MICHAEL RAY GAVIN

C-Club 2,3,4; Foot-
ball 1,2,3,4; Basket-
ball 1,2; Wrestling 3,4;
Track 1,2,3.



STEVEN LEE HENSLEY

Wrestling 1; Librar-
ian 4.



SUSAN KAY JAEGER

Pep Club 1,2,3,4;
Treasurer 2,3; Y-Teens
1,2,3,4, President 4;
Class Vice President 3;
Annual Editor 4; Cho-
rus 1,3,4; Pom-Pom
Girl 1,2,3,4; Track 1,
2,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,
4; Class Play 3,4; Dra-
matics 2,3,4; Librar-
ian 1,2; Newspaper
Co-Editor 4; National
Honor Society 3,4;
Secretary 3; Valedic-
torian 4.



THOMAS LEE JAEGER

C-Club 1,2,3,4;
Class President 4;
Annual Staff 4; Band
1,2; Football 1,2,
3,4; Basketball 1,2,
3,4; Homecoming
Attendant 4; Class
Play 4; Newspaper
Staff 4.



PATRICIA ANN KINYOUN

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Y-
Teens 1,2,3,4; Chorus
1; Band 1,2,3,4; Track
1,2,3; Class Play 3,4;
Newspaper Staff 4.

C-Club 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3; Wrestling 1,2,3,4.



DALE L. MATTISON

Football 1,2; Wrestling 1; Track 4.



DUANE H. McCAULEY

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Vice President 3; Y-Teens 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Librarian 2,3,4.



REVA JEAN McSHANE

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Y-Teens 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 1,3,4; Pom-Pom Girl 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Class Play 3,4; Dramatics 3,4; Librarian 1; Student Council 2.



CONNIE JEAN MOORE

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Y-Teens 1,2,3,4; Chorus 3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3; Librarian 2,3,4.



PATRICIA LEXINE PERKINS

C-Club 1,2,3; Football 1,2,3; Wrestling 1,2,3.



LEE C. PESHEK
Had in Sunday School



JONI KAY PIERCE

Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4;
Cheerleader 3, 4; Y-
Teens 1, 2, 3, 4;
Class President 3;
Annual Staff 4; Track
1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2,
3, 4; Homecoming
Attendant 4; Class
Play 3, 4; Dramatics
3, 4; Regents Scholar-
ship 4; Newspaper
Co-Editor 4; Staff 2;
Student Council 3,
4, Secretary 3, 4;
National Honor
Society 3, 4.



KERRY L. RICHARDS

C-Club 2, 3, 4; Football
3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4;
Class Play 3.



MICHAEL WALTER ULMER

C-Club 2, 3, 4, Sec-
retary-Treasurer 4;
Class Secretary 3, 4;
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Foot-
ball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basket-
ball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track
1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play
3, 4; Student Council
2, 3, 4, President 4;
National Honor Soc-
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larship 4.



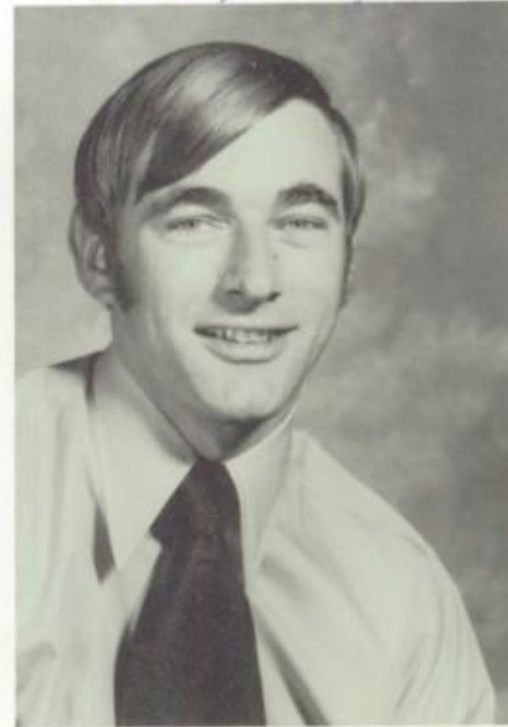
DAVID VERN WOODS
Had Indy School

C-Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice
President 4; Class Treas-
urer 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3;
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Football
1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball
1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3,
4; Homecoming King
4; Class Play 3, 4;
National Honor Society
3, 4; Boys' State 3;
Salutatorian 4.



MR. ROBERT SCUDDER

Sponsor



MR. DAVID HELMICK

Sponsor



Tommy B. reuster



Lee Peshek



Rene M. Shane



Connie M. Oke



Mikey U. Hux



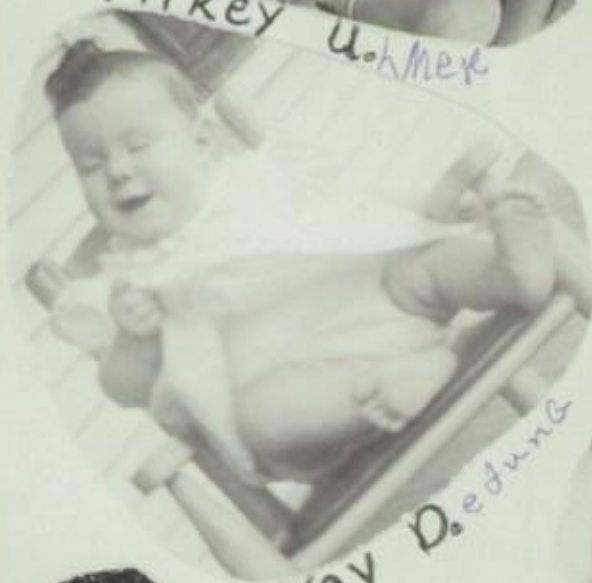
Susie J. Jeger



Patty Perkins



Mikey Gavin



KAY D. edung



DAVY A. nderson



Billy B. oek



Joni P. hree



Stevie H. ensley



Jeannie E. erson



KAREN E. nt



Patty K. nyon



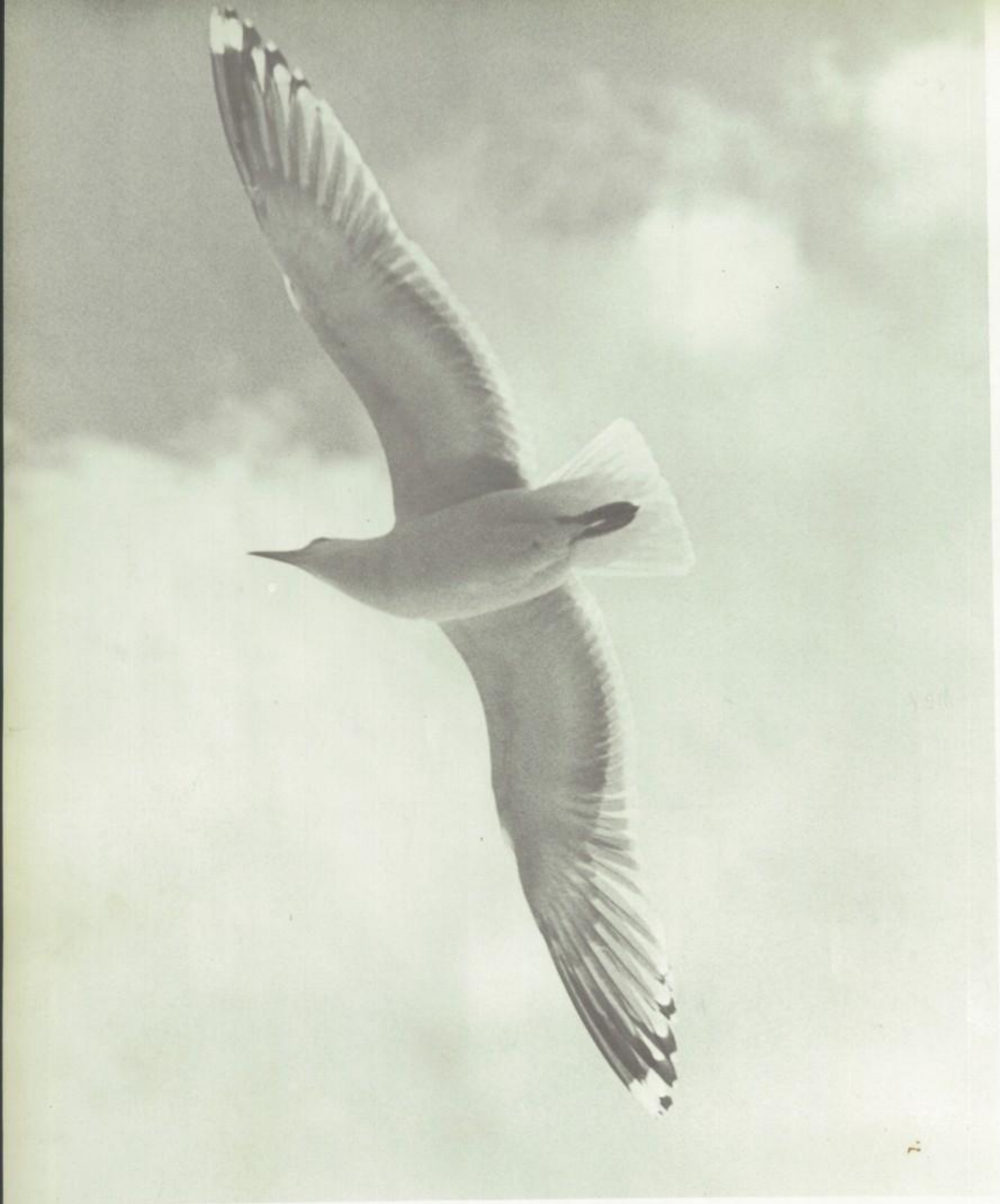
Kerry R. olchards



DAVY W. oods



Tommy J. eger



JUNIORS

What is the value of solitude?
— of peace, of light, of silence?
What is the cost of freedom?

Nancy Newhall

Juniors



Darrell Eastin
 Tony Everson
 Gale Hagemeyer
 Craig Hertel

Kathy Alberts
 Barb Bennett
 Rodney Bohannon
 Becky Chapman



Karen Iverson
 Sheila Jensen
 David Johnson
 Tim Kemper
 Steve Knox



Bev Marburger
 Dan Northrop
 Janis Northrop
 Lynne Peshek

John Sampson
 Pat Schwindt
 Irene
 VonSpreckelsen
 Janice Wolf



SOPHOMORES

Every part of nature teaches that the passing away of one life is the making room for another. The oak dies down to the ground, leaving within its rind a rich virgin mould, which will impart a vigorous life to an infant forest.

David Thoreau



Bob Anderson
Steve Applebee
Janet Bohannon
Roger Bohannon
Bob Byrkit
Diane Dahlsten



Larry Dedrickson
Tim DeJung
Karen Everson
Jim Gavin
Kenny Greenstreet
Debbie Hammond
Marv Harms - No
picture available

Sophomores

Sandy Head
Bev Hoyt
Bill Kinyoun
Jerry Koehler
Lori Kouba



Nancy Lemkau
Judy Livgren
Darla Mattison
Don McCune
Katie Perkins
Lori Pierce

Barb Pontine
Debbie Richards
Sally Sampson
Mike Sullivan
Ricky Thomas
Merle Von
Spreckelsen





FRESHMEN

I am the Poem of the Earth, said the voice of the rain,
Eternal I rise impalpable out of the bottomless sea.

Walt Whitman

Freshmen

Mark Bailey
Terri Bedlan
Rachel Brown
Teresa Flesner
Bill Gartner
Kirk Greenstreet



Sheryl Hensley
Jay Dee Hizer
Kirby Hodges
Kenny Iverson
Dean Jensen
Cynthia Johnson

Scott Johnson
Allen Keiser
Terri Lemkau
Scott Marburger
Chris McCauley
Mark Miller



Cheryl Perkins
Pam Peters
Renee Phipps
Greg Pierce
Darla Richards
Pat Sullivan

Sharon Thomas
Sheila Thomas
Cindy Ulmer
Gary Veik
Lyle Von
Spreckelsen
George Wilkins





JUNIOR HIGH

Shall we not come as pilgrims to these sanctuaries?
limit, where need exists, our numbers,
that each may find a singing solitude and pass
free as a cloud's shadow?

Nancy Newhall

Eighth Grade



Peggy Sullivan
Diana Unterseher
Cherly Veik

Tim Anderson
Jackie Barber
Bob Bennett
Diane Bennett ✓
Jane Boeka ✓
Barbara Buerer
Laurie Brumond
Laurie Cronin
Joan Dedrickson ✓
Joe Everson
Gary Flesner
Ricky Godtel
Janice Hagemeier
Brad Hizer
Bob Hoyt
Dennis Jaeger ✓
Sandy Jaeger
Diana Jensen
Neil Jensen
Vivian Kinney
Kyle Kinyoun ✓
Barbara Koehler
John Kouba
Gwen Lambert
Mark Lovgren
Lucinda Mack
Sharon Marburger
Micky Northrop ✓
Nancy Pontine ✓
Kathy Richards ✓
Dick Sampson
Greg Stark ✓

Seventh Grade



Steve Bannister ✓
Curtis Bennett ✓
Rhonda Boyd
Mitch Brandt
Rod Brown ✓
Greg Brumond
Laura Burklund
Jean Chapman
Wayne Cook
Merlin Cronin ✓
Leroy Dana ✓
Donna DeJung ✓
Carol Eastin ✓
Don Flesner
Mike Furman ✓
Kipper Greenstreet
John Fringer
Keith Iverson
Christina Lambert
Donita McCauley
James McDougall
Scott Pierce
Gary Slater ✓
Sandra Slater

Lynette Schliep
Sharon Schliep
Kelly Sullivan
Dan Trout
Cathy Weik
LeAnn VonSpreckelsen
Connie Wilkins



ELEMENTARY

To me, every hour of light and dark is a miracle,
Every cubic inch of space is a miracle.

Walt Whitman

Sixth Grade



Mr. Aufdenkamp
Ann Bannister
Julie Bernhardt
Gary Beister
Connie Brewster
Rowena Brown ✓
Elizabeth Cook
Connie Ebert ✓
Stuart Frank
Tim Godtel
Tim Hagemeier
Roger Hammond
Steve Johnson
Dick Kinney
LuAnn Larson
Mike Mattison

Randy Schliep
Nancy Springer
Brian Thomas
Charles Townsend
Lee Unterseher
Jim Wolfe

Winter cheer

Fifth Grade



Mrs. Hammond
Greg Baird
Russell Bannister
Jerri Bennett
Tim Brewster
LouAnn Cronin
Rebecca Crouse
Debbie Dedrickson ✓
Melissa Douplik ✓
Dennis Eastin ✓
Mary Lou Everson
Machele Ewer
Barbara Frank ✓
Patrick Furman ✓
Deborah Ham ✓
Joe Fringer
Kevin Harms
Brenda Hoyt
James Jett
Dena Johnson
Claudia Lambert
Kristin Livgren
John McDougall
Lucinda McDougall

Timmy Pierce
Scott Stahl
Lynn Stark ✓
Theresa Ulmer
Randy Veik
Roberta Veik
Jeffrey Weerheim

Fourth Grade A

Mrs. Reisinger
 Mary Bannister
 James Buerer
 Kevin Burkland
 Kenneth DeJung
 Sandra Flesner
 Brain Gibb
 Teresa Ham ✓
 David Hertel ✓
 Kimberly Hoyt
 Steven Iverson
 Michael Kinney
 Laurie Larson
 Rebecca Mihm ✓
 Bruce Schliep
 Teresa Schliep



Brenda Springer
 Monte Steele
 Bruce Woods

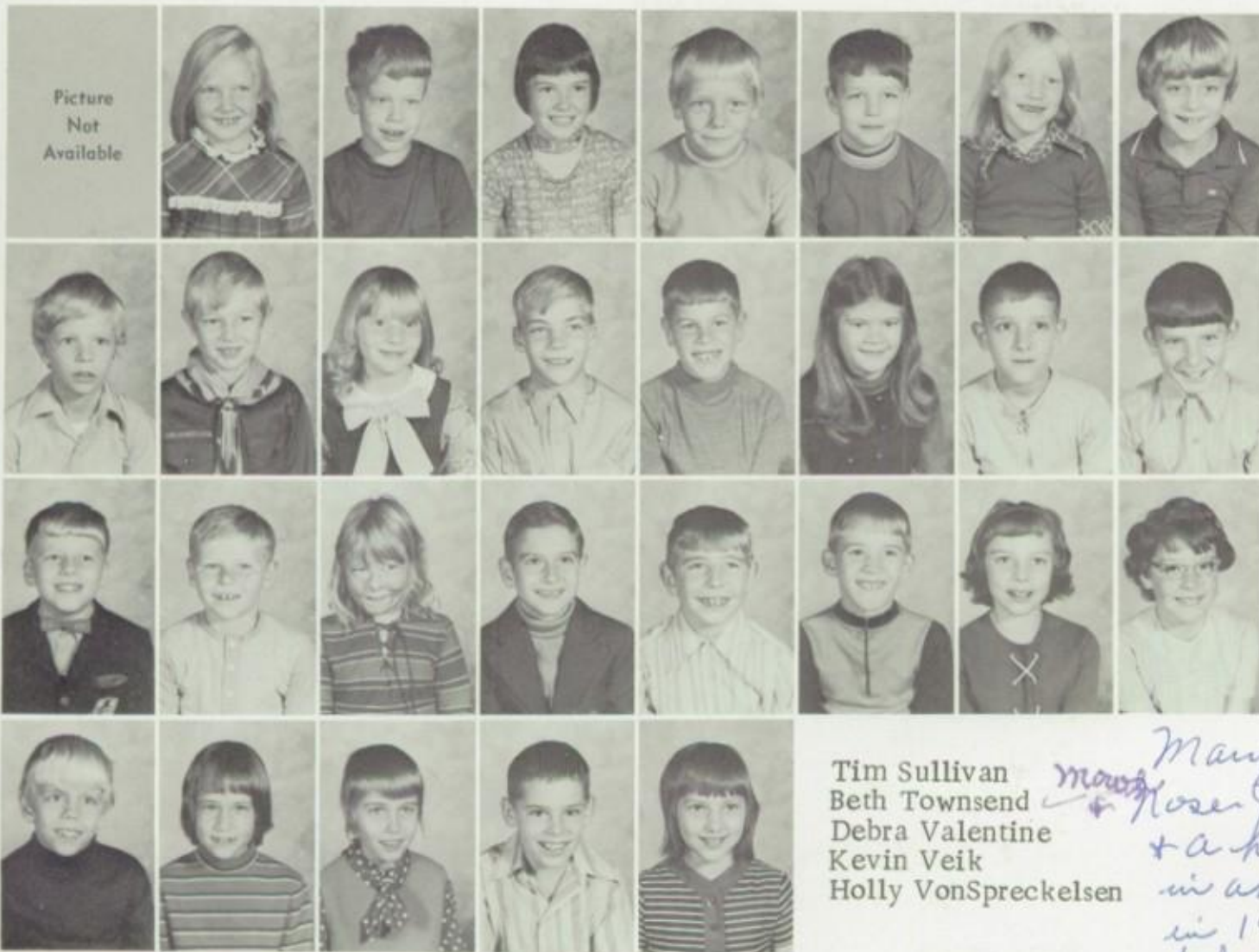
Fourth Grade B

Mrs. E. Lines
 Christine Bentley
 Roy Brown ✓
 Rhonda Burghardt
 Dennis Cords ✓
 Teresa Ebert ✓
 Pamylla Furman
 Kimberly Greenstreet
 Wade Hayes ✓
 William Hoyt
 Tammy Jeppesen
 Jerry Kouba
 Alan Mattison
 Annette Sampson
 Karen Schliep
 Sharon Slater



Cary Stahl
 Scot VonSpreckelsen
 Ronald Hill

Third Grade



Miss Wolfe
Susan Baird
Jeff Barber ✓
Sandra Bennett
Patrick Bentley
Jeffrey Bernhardt
Heidi Burkland
Neal Chapman
Rick Chochon
Danny Cords
Marsha Ewer
Steve Flesner
Lonny Godtel
Robyn Hajny
Blake Hoyt
Brian Jackson
John Jett
Gary Lambert
Mary Marburger ✓
Alan Peshek ✓
Brent Peters
Roger Rauscher *Belle & Karen*
Carol Springer
Sherly Stoddard ✓

Tim Sullivan
Beth Townsend
Debra Valentine
Kevin Veik
Holly VonSpreckelsen

Mary Marburger had her nose made in 1974 + a hand fixed she was in an eyebrow at her home in 1969 before the pin took her to Dallas she is a very nice little girl, also had pieces of her ribs put in her ears so they stand up.

Second Grade



Miss Bjorkgren
Jonathan Aufdenkamp
Jodie Fredricks
Daniel Furman
Scott Hajny
Kelly Heftie
Judy Hensley ✓
Laurie Hines ✓
Shanell Ingle
Judy Jett
Jodine Johnson
Tommy Roark
Brenda Schliep
Glen Slater ✓
Rodney Smith
Brian Stark ✓

Joseph Sullivan
Linda Veik
Phyllis Young

First Grade

*✓ Killed Apr. 3.73
Car struck by freight train in
Edenton*

Miss Nagle
Lisa Bannister
Sheila Bennett ✓
Tim Buerer
Kris Burkum
Scott Chochon
Lane Christenson ✓
Beth DeGeer ✓
Cory Doupnik ✓
Cheryl Eastin ✓
Deborah Fredricks ✓
Gordon Hayes ✓
Sherita Ingle ✓
Theresa Jeppesen
Lisa Jones
Carol Marburger

Dale Schliep
Diane Slater ✓
Jean Springer
Craig Steele
Susan Townsend ✓
Bradley Woods
Martin Young



Kindergarten

*quaint
neighborhood
of Edenton*

Mrs. Hajny ✓
David Baker ✓
Jeffrey Bannister
Jill Barber ✓
Korrena Bentley
Jodi Brehm
Lori Burghardt
Barton Fate ✓
Faith Fiscus ✓
Martha Graham ✓
Timothy Hajny ✓
Darren Jackson
Mark Johnson
Tammara Kalvoda
Charles Long
Richard Mattison
Timothy McDougall
Lisa Perkins
Nicole Minx
Bradley Schindler
Chad Schoettger
Debra Sukup
Thomas Sullivan
David Veik

neighbor



*Neighbor
New Station
Gardens away
12-25-1973*

Denise Veik ✓
Shelley Yunko ✓



Mini Courses — Something New for '73



I climbed the
WHOLE thing!



Women's liberation



So what's he smiling about? *ALBERTS*



Let's go for 200, Dave!



For lessons on decoupage - ask Reva



O.K. - How'd you get in here? *ALBERTS*



Now smile and say "cheese."



So that's what that thing does!



Candle makers at work!

ORGANIZATIONS

You shall enter the living shelter of the forest.
You shall walk where only the wind has walked before.

Nancy Newhall



Annual Staff



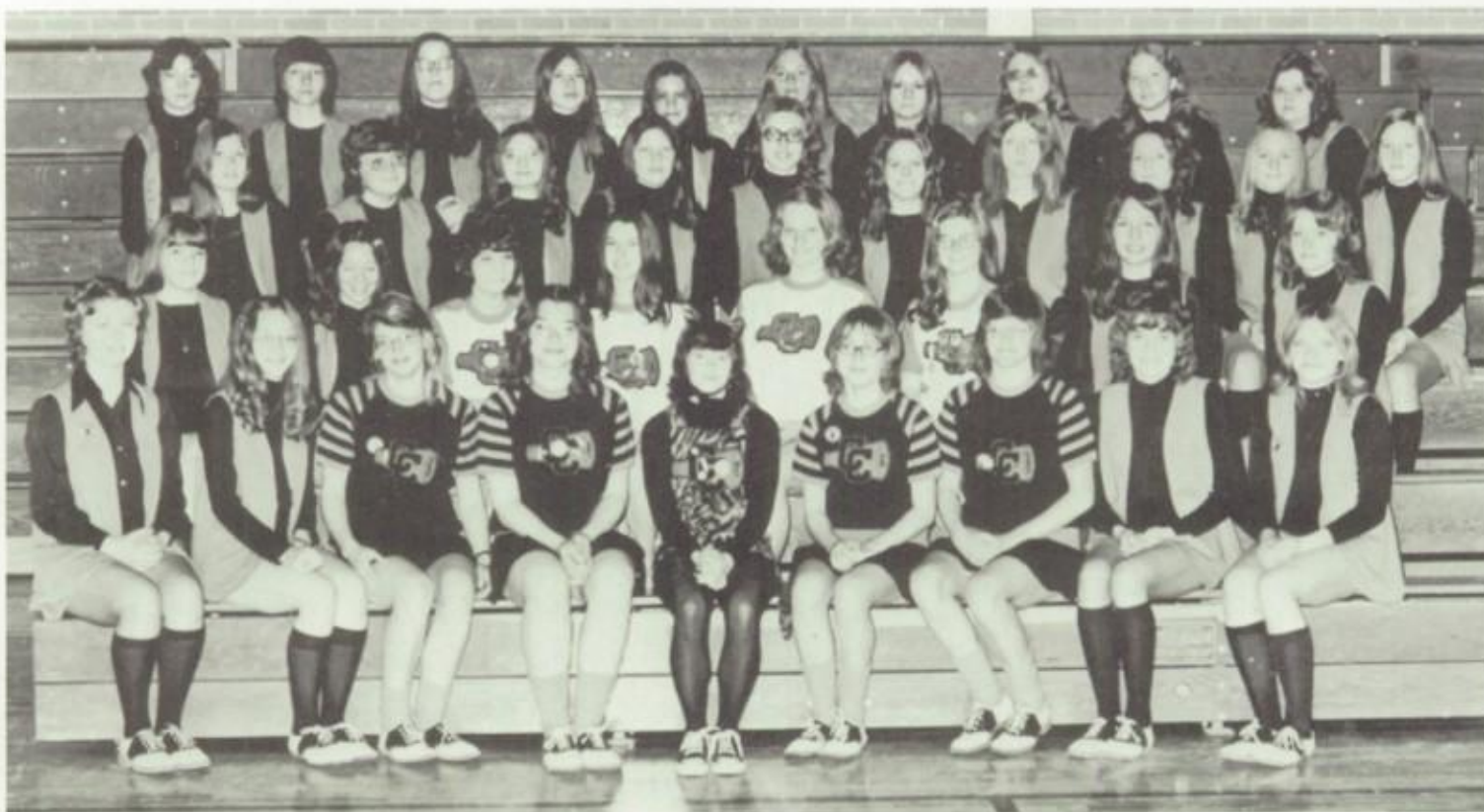
From Left to Right: Tom Jaeger, Reva McShane, Joni Pierce, Mr. Edeal (Sponsor), Susan Jaeger (Editor), Connie Moore.

Cat Rap Staff



Front Row, Left to Right: Karen East, Dave Anderson, Kathy Alberts, Connie Moore, Joni Pierce (Co-Editor), Tom Jaeger, Bill Boeka. Back Row, Left to Right: Debby Hammond, Irene Von-Spreckelsen, Pat Schwindt, Lori Pierce, Lori Kouba, Pat Kinyoun, Susan Jaeger (Co-Editor), Renee Phipps.

Pep Club



First Row: N. Lemaku, K. Alberts, D. Richards, L. Kouba, B. Hoyt, P. Peters, D. Richards, J. Livgren, K. Everson. Second Row: R. McShane, T. Lemkau, L. Peshek, J. Eastlin, J. Pierce, B. Bennett, S. Jaeger, D. Mattison. Third Row: K. East, C. McCauley, T. Bedlan, P. Kinyoun, L. Pierce, C. Moore, K. DeJung, J. Everson, I. Von-Spreckelsen, D. Hammond. Fourth Row: S. Sampson, J. Northrop, S. Thomas, S. Jensen, C. Ulmer, P. Schwindt, S. Head, J. Wolfe, J. Lansford, P. Perkins.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:

Bev Hoyt
Janet Eastin Joni Pierce
Lynn Peshek Barb Bennett

OFFICERS:

Sally Sampson,
Treasurer
Kathy Alberts,
Secretary
Pat Schwindt,
Vice President
Karen East,
President



RESERVES:

Deb
Richards
Lori
Kouba
Darla
Richards
Pam
Peters



C Club



Front Row: Dave Anderson, Tom Brewster, Mike Ulmer, Bill Boeka, Dave Woods, Tom Jaeger, Lee Peshek, Dale Mattison. Middle Row: Dick Brehm - Sponsor, Mike Gavin, Marv Harms, Darrel Eastin, Craig Hertel, Steve Knox, Tim Kemper, Gale Hagemeyer. Back Row: Bob Scudder - Sponsor, Mike Sullivan, Jerry Koehler, Tim DeJung, Kirk Greenstreet, Bob Anderson, Kenny Greenstreet, Gary Junker - Sponsor.

Mike Ulmer
Secretary-Treasurer
Dave Woods
Vice President
Bill Boeka
President



Y-Teens



Front Row: Mrs. Reisinger - Sponsor, L. Pierce, D. Hammond, J. Livgren, B. Bennett, K. Alberts, N. Lemkau, C. Ulmer, I. VonSpreckelsen. Second Row: P. Perkins, P. Schwindt, C. Perkins, S. Thomas, S. Sampson, J. Northrop, L. Kouba, S. Jaeger, D. Mattison, J. Wolfe. Third: R. McShane, C. Johnson, D. Hensley, K. Everson, K. East, K. DeJung, J. Everson, B. Hoyt, S. Jensen, S. Head. Fourth Row: C. McCauley, T. Bedlan, T. Lemkau, J. Pierce, C. Moore, S. Thomas, D. Dahlsten, P. Kinyoun, R. Phipps, J. Eastin.

Lori Pierce
Secretary
Debby Hammond
Treasurer
Irene VonSpreckelsen
Vice President
Susan Jaeger
President



Dramatics



Front Row: Bill Boeka, Darla Mattison, Debby Hammond, Lori Pierce, Janis Northrop, Kathy Alberts, Barb Bennett, Karen East, Lori Kouba, Joni Pierce. Back Row: Dave Woods, Judy Livgren, Tim Kemper, Janet Eastin, Susan Jaeger, Connie Moore, Darrell Eastin, Bev Hoyt, Renee Phipps, Mr. Larson.

Librarians



Front Row: Reva McShane, Janet Bohannon, Lanette Schliep, Jean Chapman, Donita McCauley, Rhonda Boyd, Janet Eastin. Back Row: Karen Iverson, Steve Hensley, Cheryl Perkins, Cheryl Hensley, Janice Wolfe, Rachel Brown, Sally Sampson, Lori Kouba, Lynne Peshek, Mrs. Sampson - Head Librarian, Pat Perkins.

National Honor Society



Mrs. Chochon - Sponsor, Janis Northrop, Susan Jaeger, John Sampson, Dave Woods, Mike Ulmer, Dave Anderson, Tim Kemper, Irene VonSpreckelsen, Joni Pierce.

Student Council



Front Row: Mrs. Pedersen, Mr. Brehm, Mr. Chochon - Sponsors, Rennee Phipps, Irene VonSpreckelsen, Tim Kemper, Mike Ulmer, Joni Pierce. Back Row: Tim DeJung, Diane Dahlsten, Pat Sullivan, Bob Hoyt.

Concert Band



Marching Band



Pom Pom Girls

Janis Northrop
Drum Majorette
Jean Everson Susan Jaeger
Karen East Connie Moore
Kathy Alberts

Not Shown:
Majorettes -
Janice Wolfe
Bev Hoyt



Stage Band



C h o r u s



JANIS NORTHROP
Plainsmen Festival Honor Band
NMEA Clinic Band



CRAIG HERTEL, TIM KEMPER
Honorable Mention
NMEA Clinic Choir



KAREN EAST
Harvest of Harmony
Queen Candidate



ACTIVITIES

It is true, I never assisted the sun materially in its rising;
but, doubt not, it was of the last importance only to be present at it.

David Thoreau



1973 Homecoming King and Queen

We Seniors all looked eagerly toward the approaching Homecoming game. Homecoming had not been won since we had been in high school, and the football team vowed to break that record. And break it they did. On September 22, 1973, the Bruning Bears died at the feet of the Clay Center Wildcats. The final score - 41 to 6.

After the game we gathered in the gym for Coronation. The 1973 Homecoming King and Queen were then revealed. Joni Pierce and Tom Jaeger are the attendants, and Dave Woods and Karen East our new King and Queen.

Draham



Cousins
Homecoming King and Queen of 1956
Cousins

Old Fashioned Love

The night of Prom, April 28, finally arrived. All the Seniors were present at the banquet, which was a huge success right down to the pineapple sherbet.

Later we danced to music ? by the Fairfax Brothers. Our class felt that overall the Juniors did a fine job of planning and decorating for this occasion - their farewell to us - Prom of 1973.





You're a senior now.
In just a few weeks,
you'll walk out of this school for the last time.
Will you look back as you go?
Will you stop just one minute
Before you hurry into your new life of new
freedoms
To remember?
To remember your first day of school
When you were just "a little bit" afraid?
Now you've come to your last day -
Aren't you just "a little bit" afraid now, too?
Won't you stop to remember
When your biggest worry was "the board"
In the superintendents' office?
Wouldn't it be great

If that's all you had to worry about now?

Remember your first love?
How you were so nervous,
And how no-one wanted to hold hands with you
Cause your hands were always so clammy?
You've been through dozens of loves by now -
It's hard to believe you were such a chicken,
isn't it?
How about your first day of high school?
Man, you thought you were pretty important
stuff,
Didn't you?
But I'll bet the seniors then didn't,
And I'll bet you don't think the freshmen now
are, either,
Do you?
But as you went through the year,
Those older classmates you thought were
monsters,

Came to be your friends,
By the end of the year,
You actually hated to see them go.
Year after year, you said goodbye
to your friends
And watched them go -
Just a little excited, but a little
sad, too.
Until, before you realize it,
It's your turn.
It's your turn to leave all your old
friends behind
And face the world.
All of those happy, carefree days,
Dampened here and there with an
occasional Physics test,
Will come to an end,
And you'll leave the place where
you grew,
Not only physically and mentally,
But emotionally too.
You'll leave the place that you
have so many memories of -
Both good and bad.
We, the juniors, as your friends
following close behind,
Dedicate this night to you,
In hopes that through these few
hours we're about to share,
You'll see just how much your
friendship through the years
Has meant to us.
And hope that tonight will be one
of those happy memories
You'll remember and cherish for-
ever.

Kathy Alberts



Senior Play

Hollywood Look Out — Class of '73 on the Way



Picaninny Corner

SENIOR CLASS PLAY "CRACKED NUTTS" CAST

Drusilla Nutt - - - - -	Joni Pierce
Mrs. Garfinkle - - - - -	Susan Jaeger
Delicious Appleby - - - - -	Janet Eastin
Confusion Jones - - - - -	Tom Brewster
Peggy Nutt - - - - -	Connie Moore
Ginger Nutt - - - - -	Jean Everson
Pete Beamish - - - - -	Mike Ulmer
Magnolia Langsford - - - - -	Karen East
Billy Beamish - - - - -	Dave Woods
Professor Beamish - - - - -	Dave Anderson
Adelbert De Weese - - - - -	Bill Boeka
Mrs. De Wayne De Weese - - - - -	Pat Kinyoun
Director - - - - -	Lamont Larson
Makeup - - - - -	Barbara Larson
Assistant - - - - -	Chuck Hizer
	Tom Jaeger
Stage Crew - - - - -	Duane McCauley
	Lee Peshek
	Reva McShane



Who's INSANE? Not Me!



What's Junior up to?



Back Stage



Junior Play

Not Bad for Beginners!



I Gotcha!



Maude strikes again!



Look at those legs!



What mush!

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY "MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE" CAST

Stanley Nichols - - - - -	Tim Kemper
Christine Nichols - - - - -	Irene Von Sprecklesen
Peggy Nichols - - - - -	Lynne Peshek
Cyril B. Hoskins - - - - -	Craig Hertel
Nora Ramson - - - - -	Pat Schwindt
Bradley - - - - -	John Sampson
Prudence Harper - - - - -	Janis Northrop
Carl Henderson - - - - -	Steve Knox
Miss Jenkins - - - - -	Barb Bennett
Maude - - - - -	Kathy Alberts
Lawton Ellerbe - - - - -	Darrell Eastin
Director - - - - -	Lamont Larson
Makeup - - - - -	Barbara Larson

S a d i e H a w k i n s



What was that?



And what's the jury's verdict?



A real spook!



Whew! I made it!

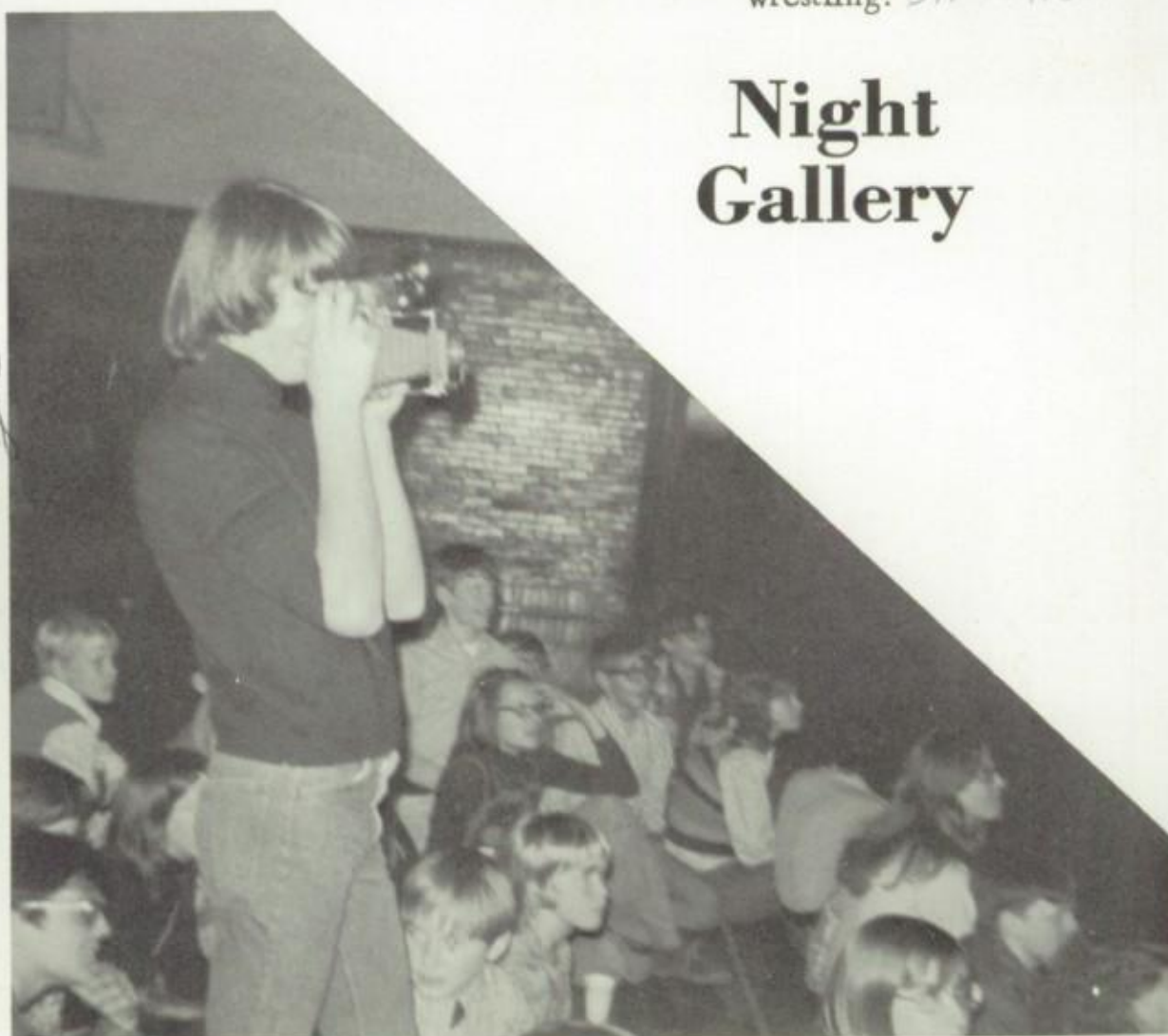


Has Craig switched to wrestling? *DAVID HERTER*

Night Gallery



Roulette, anyone?



Photographer being photographed.

Sneak



The Osage House viewed from the ferry



Joni and Duane have a slight disagreement

to a duel. They put up a great fight, but we showed them that Nebraska is still No. 1!

At 9:00 Sunday morning we started the long ride home. After being waylaid an hour at the Bridal Cave and an hour and a half fixing our bus tire, we finally made it back



Jan, Tom, and Steve stop at Dogpatch



Our favorite pasttime

to good 'ole C.C. at 12:30 A.M. Monday. Needless to say, we all went straight home, and for some reason all our alarms failed to wake us up for school.



The Ozark Opry



Clay Center, here we come!

Commencement



*EAST
Moore
Jagers*

Werner



SUSAN JAEGER
1973 Valedictorian



DR. GALEN DODGE
Addresses Seniors



At last!



DAVE WOODS
1973 Salutatorian



Reidens

*Dave Woods mother
graduated with me
1943*





ATHLETICS

In this fresh evening each blade and leaf looks as if
it had been dipped in an icy liquid greenness.

David Thoreau

Varsity and Reserve Volleyball



Varsity

First Row: P. Kinyoun, J. Pierce, C. Moore, J. Northrop, S. Sampson. Second Row: P. Schwindt, L. Pierce, S. Jaeger, L. Kouba, D. Richards. Third Row: R. McShane (Student Manager), B. Hoyt, K. East, I. VonSpreckelsen, Coach Helmick.



Reserves

First Row: D. Richards, D. Hammond, D. Mattison, J. Livgren, S. Jensen. Second Row: T. Bedlan, K. Everson, C. McCauley, S. Thomas, J. Wolfe. Third Row: R. McShane, C. Ulmer, B. Bennett, K. Alberts, Coach Helmick.

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The C-Club would like to congratulate the graduating Seniors, especially the following that were in C-Club: D. Anderson, B. Boeka, D. Woods, M. Ulmer, T. Jaeger, T. Brewster, L. Peshek, M. Gavin, and D. Mattison.

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First Row: G. Wilkins, L. Von Spreckelsen, K. Greenstreet, A. Keiser, B. Gartner, M. Miller, G. Veik, K. Hodges, M. Sullivan, J. Koehler, S. M. Bob Byrkit. Second Row: B. Boeka, M. Harms, J. Gavin, B. Anderson, M. Ulmer, T. Kemper, R. Bohannon, D. Woods, S. Applebee, D. Anderson, D. Jensen, Coach Brehm. Third Row: Coach Junker, T. DeJung, M. Gavin, T. Brewster, T. Jaeger, C. Hertel, S. Knox, D. McCune, D. Eastin, K. Greenstreet.

		SCHEDULE	
Clay Center	41	Dorchester	0
Clay Center	12	Davenport	14
Clay Center	41	Bruning	6
		(Homecoming)	
Clay Center	6	Harvard	7
Clay Center	50	Lawrence	15
Clay Center	37	Elgin Pope John	12
Clay Center	36	Chester	14
Clay Center	36	Shickley	13
Clay Center	6	Exeter	6



Wildcats score again!

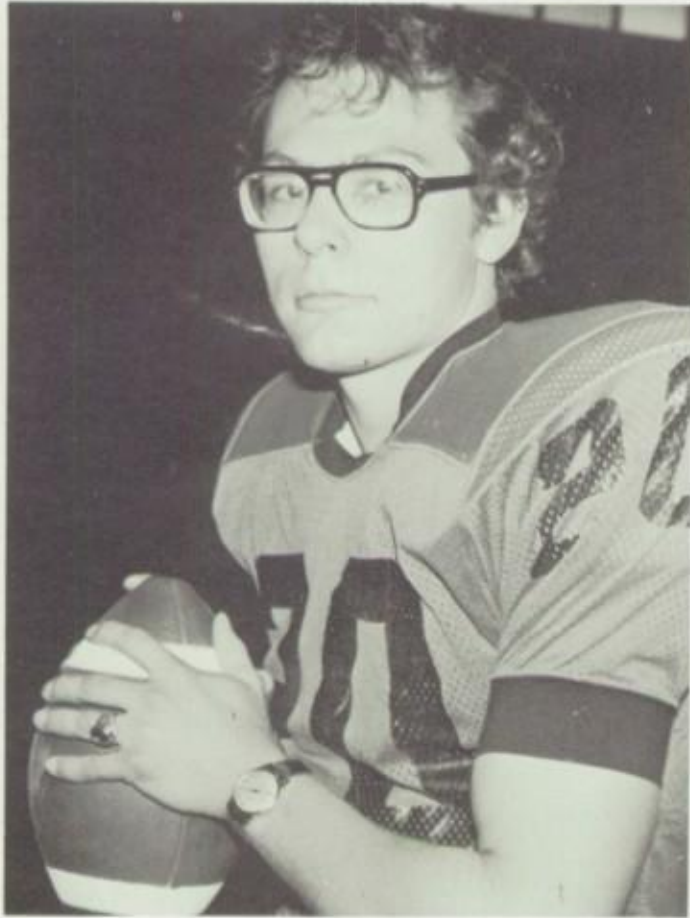


What a mess

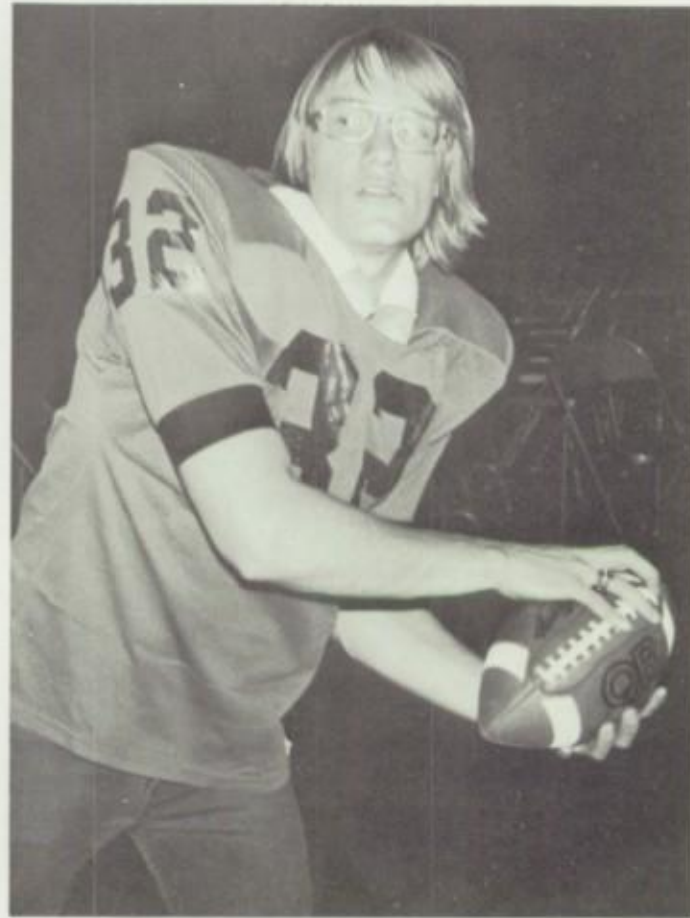


The boys

Football



BILL BOEKA - Senior
All Conference, Halfback



DAVE WOODS - Senior
All Conference, Fullback



TOM JAEGER - Senior, All Conference Tackle



MIKE GAVIN
Senior
Honorable
Mention
Center

MIKE ULMER
Senior
Honorable
Mention
End



NOT SHOWN:
STEVE APPLEBEE
Sophomore
Honorable
Mention
Quarterback

Varsity and Reserve Basketball



Front Row: Coach Scudder, Steve Knox, Mike Ulmer, Tom Jaeger, Dave Woods, Tom Brewster, Coach Helmick.
Back Row: Tim Kemper, Ken Greenstreet, Tim DeJung, Craig Hertel, Marv Harms, Jerry Koehler.



Front Row: Rod Bohannon, Greg Pierce, John Sampson, Gale Hagemeyer, Don McCune, Coach Helmick. Back Row: Kirk Greenstreet, Mark Bailey, Bill Gartner, Lyle VonSpreckelsen, Kirby Hodges, Scott Johnson.



MIKE ULMER
All Conference



SCHEDULE

Clay Center	33	Exeter	35
Clay Center	36	Lawrence	51
Clay Center	40	Harvard	85
Clay Center	47	Dorchester	60
Clay Center	51	Sandy Creek	71
Clay Center	52	Giltner	42
Clay Center	48	Chester	64
Clay Center	44	Deshler	72
Clay Center	42	Davenport	85
(Pioneer Conference Tournament)			
Clay Center	47	Davenport	57
Clay Center	53	Trumbull	57
Clay Center	40	Bruning	49
Clay Center	53	Shickley	49
Clay Center	58	Fairmont	50
Clay Center	67	Ohioa	58
Clay Center	65	Bladen	83

(District Tournament)

Wrestling



Front Row: Dale Mattison, Dave Anderson, Mike Gavin, Kerry Richards, Bill Boeka. Middle Row: Pat Sullivan, Darrel Eastin, Larry Dedrickson, Mike Sullivan, Bob Anderson. Back Row: Coach - Dick Brehm, Jim Gavin, George Wilkins, Dean Jensen.



Mike Gavin gets the advantage.

**They Always
Get Their Man**



C. C. on top again!

**Superstars
of '73**

State Qualifiers



DALE MATTISON
Senior
State Runner-Up

DARRELL EASTIN
Junior



Wildcats Have G-r-r-reat Season, Despite Forfeits

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Clay Center	27	Meridian	36
Clay Center	42	Clarks	15
Clay Center	27	Kenesaw	18
Clay Center	30	Sutton	24
Clay Center	51	Dorchester	18
Clay Center	12	Harvard	42
Clay Center	33	Deshler	24
Clay Center	38	Davenport	30
Clay Center	15	Friend	45
Clay Center			

Girls' and Boys' Track



Coach Scudder, Darla Richards, Cindy Ulmer, Terri Lemkau, Pam Peters, Bev Hoyt, Barb Bennett, Kathy Alberts, Sheila Jensen, Lori Kouba, Karen East, Sally Sampson, Lori Pierce, Darla Mattison, Pat Schwindt, Susan Jaeger, Janis Northrop, Renee Phipps, Sheila Thomas, Tina Lansford, Chris McCauley - Student Manager.



Mike Sullivan, Pat Sullivan, George Wilkins, Jerry Koehler, Bob Anderson, Kirby Hodges, Kirk Greenstreet, Jim Gavin, Bill Boeka, Rod Bohannon, Dave Anderson, Dave Woods, Greg Pierce, Dean Jensen, Allen Keiser, Steve Applebee, Scott Johnson, Bill Gartner, Tim Kemper, Lyle VonSpreckelsen, Ken Greenstreet, Duane McCauley, Darrell Eastin, Rodger Bohannon, Steve Knox, Mike Ulmer, Tom Brewster, Tim DeJung, Craig Hertel, Coach Brehm, Coach Junker.

Standings in Meets:

BOYS -

- 3rd - Clay Center Invitational
- 1st - Wildcat Invitational
- 2nd - Adams Central Invitational
- 3rd - Pioneer Conference
- 2nd - District

GIRLS -

- 1st - Clay Center Classic
- 1st - Pioneer Conference
- 1st - District

State Qualifiers

BOYS - Dave Woods: 100, 220, Bill Boeka: 440, Mike Ulmer: 180 yd. Low Hurdles, 880 Relay Team: Dave Woods, Mike Ulmer, Greg Pierce, Bill Boeka.

GIRLS - Sally Sampson: 50, 100, 220, 440 Relay Team: Bev Hoyt, Barb Bennett, Karen Sally Sampson.

State Winners

Mike Ulmer 2nd Low Hurdles 20.4
880 Relay 1st 1:35.2
Sally Sampson 3rd - 50 yd. 5th - 100 yd.
5th - 220 yd.

Junior High Athletics



Volleyball



Girls' Track



Wrestling



Football



Boys' Track



Basketball

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